

OREGON TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES COMMITTEE

2021 ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY

January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

Committee composition at the beginning of the year consisted of [Tristan Wood](#), Chair, Columbia County (never appeared in 2021 due to resignation); [Joseph Marek](#), Vice-Chair, Clackamas County; [Mike Kimlinger](#), Secretary, ODOT State Traffic-Roadway Engineer; [Brian Barnett](#), City of Springfield; [Laurel Byer](#), Benton County; [Nathan House](#), Oregon State Police; [Janet Hruby](#), City of Bend; [Patrick Marnell](#), Q-Free; [Jeff Wise](#), ODOT Region 5

Membership Changes

- ✓ [Tristan Wood](#), Chair, Columbia County resigned from the county for a new job on December 22, 2020 (after November 20, 2020 election as OTCDC Chair for 2021).
- ✓ [Joseph Marek](#), Clackamas County, was elected as OTCDC Chair for 2021 at a special January 6, 2021 meeting.
- ✓ [Janet Hruby](#), City of Bend, was elected as OTCDC Vice-Chair for 2021 at a special January 6, 2021 meeting.
- ✓ [Janet Hruby](#), City of Bend and [Brian Barnett](#), City of Springfield were reappointed on January 6, 2021 by the League of Oregon Cities to three year terms, extending to January of 2024.
- ✓ [Jeremy Morris](#), Klamath County, was appointed by the Association of Oregon Counties on 1/29/2021 to a three year term, replacing Tristan Wood.
- ✓ [Lieutenant Nathan House](#) transferred out of Patrol Services Division and OTCDC Representative for the Oregon State Police on March 25, 2021.
- ✓ [Lieutenant Michael Iwai](#), was appointed by the Oregon State Police as their representative to OTCDC on April 1, 2021, replacing Lieutenant Nathan House.
- ✓ [Janet Hruby](#) elected on November 19, 2021 as 2022 OTCDC chair.
- ✓ [Patrick Marnell](#) elected on November 19, 2021 as 2022 vice chair.

Traffic Control Device Decisions, Discussions and Recommendations

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- ✓ Eric Leaming gave a [presentation](#) on MUTCD comments to FHWA received from ODOT and OTCDC review committees for information, discussion and recommendation for approval. He had highlighted a select few for more attention by the committee. These have previously been available to members for review. They include some flagged as not going to FHWA, being reserved for address in the subsequent Oregon Supplement.
- ✓ The committee decided to include a statement in Section 4D.02 of the new MUTCD indicating countdown pedestrian signal heads shall be required for the placement of pedestrian heads at signalized intersections. The committee voted 5-2 in favor. The changes have since been finalized to the comments and the cover letter. The letter was signed and the combined document has been entered in the NPA docket on the Federal Register. They can be reviewed at [OTCDC/ODOT MUTCD 11 Comments](#).
- ✓ Doug Bish [presented](#) Draft [OAR language](#) which we'll be generating if HB 3055 passes. There are still many details which will need to be worked out in terms of how local jurisdictions will document their investigations, orders and what ODOT will need to do to work around it.
- ✓ Marie Kennedy [briefed](#) the committee on upcoming changes to the Sign Policy and Guidelines which will be ADA compliant and are in the new ODOT standard format. The new document should be out by the end of June.
- ✓ Eric Leaming [introduced a presentation](#) to the committee on bus shoulder lanes. Jason Kelly, Kerry Franey, Jeffrey Hayes from ODOT Region 1 presented concepts of the pilot projects. Eric wrapped up with discussion of rulemaking. Discussion was had on who would populate a rule advisory committee. Eric will update as necessary in the future.
- ✓ Eric Leaming gave an [update](#) on proposed change to OTCDC Bylaws. Adding to friendly amendments from the committee at the last meeting, Eric said we consulted with ODOT's Office of Social Equity and received feedback from Assistant Director Nikotris Perkins with suggested modifications of the wording to add a new member to increase diversity on the committee. The committee discussed the changes and came to agreement on [new Bylaws](#) moving forward.
- ✓ Marie Kennedy [shared](#) proposed new signs for emergency vehicles in addition to other heavy vehicle weight limit signs. The committee agreed these were needed.
- ✓ Marie Kennedy [updated](#) signing guidelines for STOP signs at low volume side roads. She did more research on the matter, developed by including US Forest Service guidance on this kind of road. It will be in the [Sign Policy and Guidelines](#) in the

Regulatory Signs section. Criteria for the ADT and extended crash records were discussed.

